



Clairton Works 400 State Street Clariton, PA 15025-1855

September 10, 2002

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III Air, Radiation & Toxics Division 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029 ATTN: Michael Ioff (3AT23)

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Department of Justice Department of Environmental Protection Environmental and Natural Resource Division Environmental Enforcement Section P.O. Box 7611 Ben Franklin Station Washington, D.C. 20044 ATTN: David Street, Esq.

Subject: USS Reference Number: 02-0131

ACHD Reference Number: 3775

400 Unit Claus Plant USS Clairton Works

Gentlemen:

The attached form confirms our verbal report of the subject incident. Any questions concerning this matter should be referred to Coleen M. Davis at 233-1015.

Sincerely,

R. R. Terza General Manager

Clairton Works Raw Materials

NOTICE OF OUTAGE OF EQUIPMENT ARTICLE XXI - SECTION 2108.1

- 1. USS Reference Number: 02-0131 ACHD Reference Number: 3775
- 2. Date & Time of Breakdown: Date: 09/10/02 Time: 1030 hours
- 3. Company Name: U.S. Steel Corporation USS Clairton Works
- 4. Specific Equipment Involved or Affected: 400 Unit Claus Plant
- 5. BAPC Permit Number (if applicable):
- 6. Location: Clairton, PA
- 7. Nature and cause of breakdown: The 400 Unit Claus Plant was taken out of service to repair the acid gas line leading to the thermal reactor.

The Claus 400 unit is a redundant piece of equipment. Gas processing for sulfur removal was handed off to the Claus 600 Unit. Sulfur Plant performance will not be affected. Sulfur emissions will not increase.

- 8. Identification of Emissions:
 - A. Type(s) (CO, NOX, SO₂, Particulates, Hydrocarbons, etc.)
 The 600 Unit Claus Plant carried the full acid gas flow of the plant. No environmental impact is expected.
 - B. Toxic qualities of each type (including its qualities as an irritant, and its potential for causing illness, disability, or mortality). N/A No environmental impact is expected.
 - C. Amount of each type emitted (or likely to be emitted). N/A
- 9. Measures taken (or to be taken) to minimize length of breakdown and amount of emissions, including shutdown or curtailment (or why it is impossible or impractical to do so).

 The 600 Unit Claus Plant carried the full acid gas flow of the plant.
- 10. Facility back in operation Date: 09/10/02 Time: 1130 hours

Signature (Clew M. Davis Date 9/11/02

Environmental Control Engineer Phone: 233-1015

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